CyberPatriot

Air Force Association

What is CyberPatriot?

CyberPatriot is the premiere national high school cyber defense competition created to inspire high school students toward careers in cybersecurity or other science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines critical to our nation's future. The competition was conceived by the Air Force Association. Northrop Grumman is the presenting sponsor.

Now in its fourth phase, CyberPatriot IV is open to all high schools or accredited home school programs around the country.

CyberPatriot Teams

- A CyberPatriot team consists of five students and up to five alternates.
- Each team must have a coach, normally a teacher.
- Competitors must be at least 13 years old and enrolled in grades 9-12.
- Teams may use mentors or technical advisors to help students prepare for the competition.

CyberPatriot Competition

- Students will compete in two parallel competitions:
  - Open Division
  - All Service JROTC/CAP Division
- Preliminary rounds are conducted online from the teams' home locations.
  - Open Division will compete:
    - November 5-6
    - December 17-18
    - January 28-29
  - All Service Division will compete:
    - October 29-30
    - December 3-4
    - January 14-15
- The final competition will take place at AFA's CyberFutures Conference at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center, National Harbor, Md. March 22-24, 2012.

Why Participate in CyberPatriot?

- The competition creates a career path for today's students fostering continued education from high school through college and into the beginning of their careers.
- CyberPatriot answers one of the nation's critical needs by helping to create computer engineering talent to become the nation's cyber defenders and future leaders, securing our nation's networks from hostile and malicious intrusions.
- Our country's next generation of cyber leaders must have the best training and resources available.
- Students will be able to use their online talents toward a career in this critical field.
- The competition increases awareness of protection of personal information while operating in our cyber-enabled world.

Join the Biggest Cyber Game of the Year!

Coaches can enroll their team now at www.uscyberpatriot.org.

- Registration for both divisions is now open through October 8, 2011.
- There is a $350 fee per team that covers
  - Software and training materials for teams to prepare and compete.
  - Participant kits.
  - All travel costs for teams that make it to the in-person competitions.
- More information is available at www.uscyberpatriot.org.

For questions or to request a mentor for your team, contact info@uscyberpatriot.org.

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